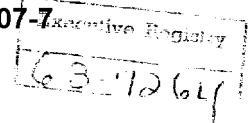




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Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

During the past several months representatives of a number of Departments and Agencies including the Central Intelligence Agency have informally discussed requirements or requests for assistance have been received for providing cryptosecurity for facsimile transmissions.

The [ ] is capable of securing any grade of facsimile provided the facsimile signal is in digital form. In order to determine what ancillaries are required to effect compatibility between the [ ] and the facsimile system, it is necessary to have additional information on your potential requirements. In addition, any studies you are making in this area might be of help to others with similar requirements.

It is requested that the National Security Agency [ ] be furnished the following information:

a. Detailed description of your requirements for secure facsimile.

b. Action you are taking to meet the requirement and status of your efforts including comments on specific ancillaries you propose to use.

c. What assistance from NSA is anticipated in your program plan.

*NSA*

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